

**Little Traverse Bay Bands of Odawa Indians
Legal Legislative Committee**

Regina Gasco-Bentley, Chairperson

Winnay Wemigwase, Secretary

Aaron Otto, Member

7500 Odawa Circle Harbor Springs, MI 49770 Tribal Court/Room 312

**MINUTES
January 9, 2013**

Call to Order: 10:15 a.m.

Committee Member Roll Call

Present: Chairperson Regina Gasco-Bentley; Secretary Winnay Wemigwase; Councilor Aaron Otto

Tribal Council Members and Legislative Office Staff Present: Councilor Bill Denemy, Councilor John Keshick, Legislative Services Attorney Donna Budnick, Office Manager Michele La Count

Executive Officials and Staff Present: Tribal Chair Dexter McNamara, Tribal Administrator Al Colby, Jr., Education Director Jannan Cotto, Higher Education Specialist Amanda Swiss, Academic Services Coordinator Dorothy Perry.

Guests: None

Adoption of Agenda:

Motion made by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to adopt the agenda of January 9, 2013.

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Minutes:

Motion made by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to approve the Minutes of December 5, 2012, as presented.

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

General Business:

- a) Michelle Chingwa Education Assistance (MCEA) Regulations. Review of MCEA Statute and Regulations. Discussion held on the processing of MCEA applications and funds. Discussion held on reporting and data collection of information related to MCEA recipients and funds. - Submitted a copy of the draft Statute to Higher Education Specialist Amanda Swiss for her input and review.

Motion made by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to go into closed session for confidentiality concerns.

Motion withdrawn.

Motion made by Councilor Otto and supported by Secretary Wemigwase to approve the Legal and Legislative Committee Annual calendar for 2013.

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent

Public Comment:

Time Opened: 4:20 p.m.

None

Time Closed: 4:20 p.m.

Next Meeting: December 5, 2012, in Tribal Council Chambers at 10:00 a.m.

Adjourn

Motion made by Secretary Wemigwase and supported by Councilor Otto to adjourn meeting at 4:20 p.m.

Vote: 3 -Yes, 0-No, 0-Abstained, 0-Absent